

Applicant : J. Stuart Cumming
Appl. No. : 09/943,910
Examiner : Kamrin R. Landrem
Docket No. : 13533.4030

Remarks

Reconsideration of this application is requested in light of the comments below and those in the response of January 18, 2005..

It is submitted that independent Claims 9, 25 and 30 all read on the elected species of Figures 10-11, as well as other Figures, and define over the previously cited prior art principally for the reasons set forth in the response of January 18, 2005.

Furthermore Claim 25 is generic to and reads on Figs. 1-5, 8-19, 22-23, 25 – 26 and 28. Claim 9 is generic to and reads on at least Figs. 1-5 and 8-11, and Claim 30 is generic to and reads on Figs. 1-3, 5-11, 17-19 and 23-30.

Accordingly, Claims 9-14, 17, 21-22, 25-27, and 30-33 read on the elected species as well as other species of this application. As such, it is respectfully submitted that Claim 9 is generic to some embodiments having notches and, thus, Claims 1-2, 5-8, 16-20 and 23-24 should be allowable. Similarly, Claim 28 which is dependent on Claim 9, and Claim 29 which is dependent on Claim 25 likewise should be allowable.

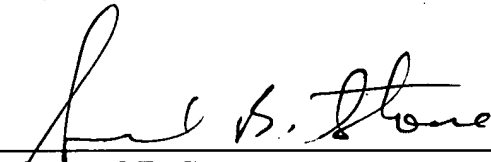
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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this Amendment to deposit account No. 15-0665.

Respectfully submitted,

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